Tacoma Dome Link Extension

Welcome

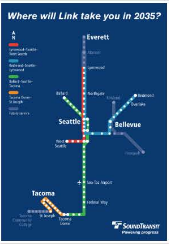
Extending light rail from Federal Way to Tacoma in 2030

We're planning potential routes and stations for the Tacoma Dome Link Extension (TDLE), connecting Federal Way, Fife and Tacoma to the regional light rail network. As part of the 2016 voter-approved System Expansion, this project will add approximately 10 additional miles of track and four new light rail stations by 2030.

Earlier in 2019, the Sound Transit Board of Directors established a preferred route and station alternative, as well as additional routes and station alternatives, for study during the environmental review process.

Below you'll find an update on our work since spring 2019, including design options for parking and bus access at stations and interactions with surface streets. Now's your chance to ask questions and learn about our next steps.

Regional light rail is coming to South King and Pierce Counties.


Where will Link take you in 2035?
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Lynnwood–Seattle–West Seattle
Redmond–Seattle–Lynnwood
Ballard–Seattle–Tacoma
Tacoma Dome–St Joseph
Future service
Everett
Mariner
Lynnwood
Ballard
Northgate
Kirkland
Redmond
Overlake
Seattle
Bellevue
West Seattle
Issaquah
Sea-Tac Airport
Tacoma
Federal Way
Tacoma Community College
St Joseph
Tacoma Dome
SOUNDTRANSIT
Powering progress

Link light rail lines in service by 2035

We're refining our route and station alternatives

We need your feedback in the process ahead

- Sound Transit collected public input last spring on possible route and station alternatives in South Federal Way, Fife, East Tacoma and Tacoma Dome. The Sound Transit Board then selected a preferred alternative and other alternatives to study in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), a process that gauges impacts to the natural and built environment for each alternative.
- This environmental review is now well underway, and we'll continue to adjust our design based on community feedback, engineering feasibility, and collaboration with local tribes, agencies or jurisdictions. We'll publish the results in a Draft EIS in 2021, and they'll be available for public comment. Our Final EIS will respond to those comments in 2022.
- Need more information now? Visit our project website for a history of the project, additional background information and resources.

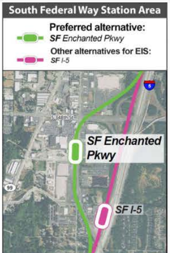
South Federal Way

Route and station alternatives

The Board's preferred route in South Federal Way is the **SF Enchanted Parkway alternative** (previously known as SF 2 West). From the Federal Way Transit Center, this preferred route generally follows I-5 South until turning west toward Enchanted Parkway near South 344th Street. A station would be located at Enchanted Parkway and South 352nd Street.

We're also evaluating another route and station option, called the **SF I-5 alternative** (previously known as SF 8/9), which would continue running along the Interstate.

Click + to check out in-progress station designs below.


South Federal Way Station Area
Preferred alternative:
SF Enchanted Pkwy
Other alternatives for EIS:
SF I-5
5
S 348th St
SF Enchanted Pkwy
99
SF I-5

Todd Beamer High School
Enchanted Pkwy

We're studying these South Federal Way route and station alternatives in the Draft EIS. To view the entire project area, click on the image.

What could Link look like in South Federal Way?

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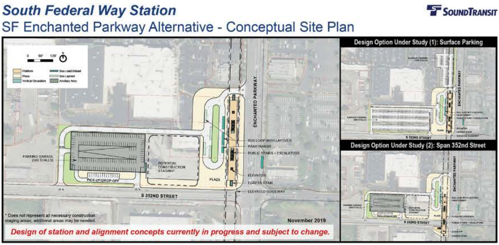
Designs for both South Federal Way Station alternatives include parking, bus connections, passenger pick-up and drop-off areas, and pedestrian and biking access improvements.

Key design updates include:

- **Route design option:** One route design option shifts the track westward through the Belmor Park neighborhood to provide gentler curves and faster train speeds into and out of the Federal Way Transit Center station.
- **SF Enchanted Parkway station alternative concept and design options:** This station would be located at South 352nd Street and Enchanted Parkway and include 500 parking stalls. The primary design places the station north of 352nd with a parking garage, but we're also exploring two other design options. The first would shift the station south to span South 352nd Street and provide rider access from both sides of the street. The second option arranges the 500 parking stalls in a surface layout, offering greater long-term adaptability and potential for future re-use. (Compared to a parking garage, a surface lot can be more easily redeveloped to suit evolving travel or development patterns.)
- **SF I-5 station alternative concept and design options:** This station would be located along I-5 south of South 356th Street and would also include 500 parking stalls. The primary design assumes a parking garage. The second option arranges the 500 parking stalls in a surface layout, offering greater long-term adaptability and potential for future re-use. (Compared to a parking garage, a surface lot can be more easily redeveloped to suit evolving travel or development patterns.)

SF Enchanted Parkway alternative – site plan and visualization



South Federal Way Station

SF Enchanted Parkway Alternative - Conceptual Site Plan

SOUNDTRANSIT

0
60'
120'
N
Platform
Plaza
Vertical Circulation
Bus Load/Unload
Bus Layover
Ancillary Area
ENCHANTED PARKWAY
BUS LOOP WITH LAYOVER
PARATRANSIT
PUBLIC STAIRS + ESCALATORS
ELEVATOR
EGRESS STAIR
ELEVATED GUIDEWAY
PARKING GARAGE (500 STALLS)
POTENTIAL CONSTRUCTION STAGING*
PICK-UP/DROP-OFF
PLAZA
S 352ND STREET
Design Option Under Study (1): Surface Parking
SURFACE PARKING
S 352ND STREET
Design Option Under Study (2): Span 352nd Street
ENCHANTED PARKWAY
S 352ND STREET

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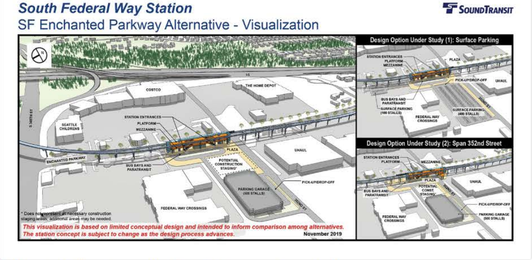
Design of station and alignment concepts currently in progress and subject to change.

SF Enchanted Parkway station is located on Enchanted Parkway at South 352nd Street and incorporates a bus facility and 500 parking spaces.


South Federal Way Station

SF Enchanted Parkway Alternative - Visualization

SOUNDTRANSIT
Design Option Under Study (1): Surface Parking
Design Option Under Study (2): Span 352nd Street
I-5
COSTCO
THE HOME DEPOT
SEATTLE CHILDREN'S
S 348TH ST
STATION ENTRANCES
PLATFORM
MEZZANINE
PLAZA
ENCHANTED PARKWAY
BUS BAYS AND PARATRANSIT
POTENTIAL CONSTRUCTION STAGING*
UHAUL
PARKING GARAGE (500 STALLS)
PICK-UP/DROP-OFF
FEDERAL WAY CROSSINGS
352ND ST
SURFACE PARKING (100 STALLS)
SURFACE PARKING (400 STALLS)
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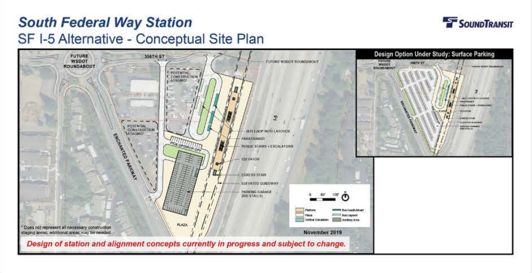
SF Enchanted Parkway station is elevated with plaza, mezzanine and platform levels.

SF I-5 alternative – *site plan and visualization*


South Federal Way Station

SF I-5 Alternative - Conceptual Site Plan

SOUNDTRANSIT
Design Option Under Study: Surface Parking
FUTURE WSDOT ROUNDABOUT
356TH ST
POTENTIAL CONSTRUCTION STAGING*
ENCHANTED PARKWAY
PICK-UP/DROP-OFF
I-5
BUS LOOP WITH LAYOVER
PARATRANSIT
PUBLIC STAIRS + ESCALATORS
ELEVATOR
EGRESS STAIR
ELEVATED GUIDEWAY
PARKING GARAGE (500 STALLS)
PLAZA
0 60' 120'
Platform
Plaza
Vertical Circulation
Bus Load/Unload
Bus Layover
Ancillary Area
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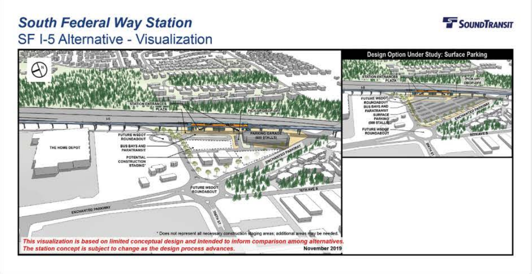
SF I-5 station is located east of Enchanted Parkway at I-5 and South 356th Street and incorporates a bus facility and 500 parking spaces.


South Federal Way Station

SF I-5 Alternative - Visualization

SOUNDTRANSIT
Design Option Under Study: Surface Parking
STATION ENTRANCES
PLAZA
I-5
PICK-UP/DROP-OFF
THE HOME DEPOT
FUTURE WSDOT ROUNDABOUT
BUS BAYS AND PARATRANSIT
POTENTIAL CONSTRUCTION STAGING*
PARKING GARAGE (500 STALLS)
ENCHANTED PARKWAY
16TH AVE S
356TH ST
SURFACE PARKING (600 STALLS)
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SF I-5 station is elevated with a plaza and platform level and the concept allows for a non-motorized path south along the guideway to Enchanted Parkway.

What else is going on in Federal Way? –

- Some existing power lines are too low to accommodate the light rail route in this area. We're coordinating with Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) and the City of Federal Way to evaluate their height and any movement required.
- We're also conducting environmental review on the Operations and Maintenance Facility South, which will store and service new trains and bring more than 300 living-wage jobs to the area. Earlier this year, the Board selected three sites for further study— two in Federal

Way and one in Kent. Learn more about the potential sites and the project.
- Our Federal Way Link Extension will expand regional light rail from Angle Lake Station to the Federal Way Transit Center in 2024, and outreach is underway to explore station names and preview construction. We'll break ground in 2020.
- The City of Federal Way is advancing the City Center Access Project, which proposes a modified interchange to I-5 at S 324th St. They're working to ease traffic congestion in the area around S 320th St. between SR 99/Pacific Highway and Military Road S.
- The City of Federal Way is also thinking ahead about the Future of the South Federal Way area and currently seeking feedback. Visit their site to learn more about Framing City South.

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The project team will also be available at Federal Way Link Extension Open Houses

Highline College

November 13, 6 – 8 p.m.
2400 S 240th St
Des Moines, WA 98198

Add to Calendar

Federal Way Performing Arts Center

Nov. 20, 6 – 8 p.m.
31510 Pete von Reichbauer Way S
Federal Way, WA 98003

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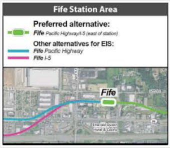
Fife

Route and station alternatives


Fife Station Area
Preferred alternative:
Fife Pacific Highway/I-5 (east of station)
Other alternatives for EIS:
Fife Pacific Highway
Fife I-5
Fife
Emerald Queen Hotel & Casino
99

We're studying these Fife alternatives in the Draft EIS. To view the entire project area, click on the image.

The Sound Transit Board identified one preferred alternative location for Fife station, in the community's planned City Center, between 12th and 15th streets east, just west of 59th Avenue East (In previous outreach, this preferred station option was known as Fife 3B.)

The preferred alternative route between South Federal Way and Fife is along I-5 to the Fife curve near 70th Avenue East, where it begins to gradually shift north to connect to the station.

There is no preferred alternative route west of Fife station to the Puyallup River. We're considering two alternatives in the environmental review process: one along I-5, and another along SR 99/Pacific Highway. Both potential routes cross the Puyallup River north of I-5.

Click + check out in-progress station designs below

What could Link look like in Fife?

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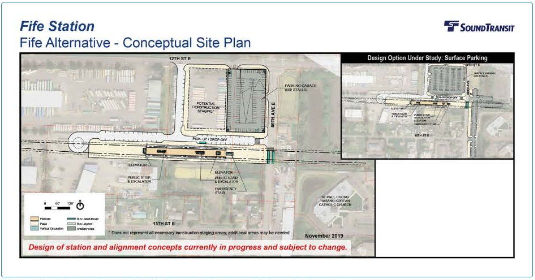
Fife station designs include parking, bus connections, passenger pick-up and drop-off areas, and pedestrian and biking access improvements. Other design work focuses on the geographic placement of route alternatives.

Key design updates include:

- **Route design at 54th Avenue East:** Leaving the station and heading toward Tacoma, both options continue in an east-west route to the west of 54th Avenue East, before curving to the south to either I-5 or Pacific Highway.
- **Fife Station design concept and parking options:** The station is located just west of 59th Avenue East and includes 500 parking stalls. The primary design assumes a parking garage. Another option arranges the 500 parking stalls in a surface layout, offering greater long-term adaptability and potential for future re-use. (Compared to a parking garage, a surface lot can be more easily redeveloped to suit evolving travel or development patterns.)

Fife alternative – site plan and visualization


Fife Station
Fife Alternative - Conceptual Site Plan
SOUNDTRANSIT
12TH ST E
POTENTIAL CONSTRUCTION STAGING*
PARKING GARAGE (500 STALLS)
59TH AVE E
PICK-UP / DROP-OFF
ELEVATOR
PUBLIC STAIR & ESCALATOR
ELEVATOR
PUBLIC STAIR & ESCALATOR
EMERGENCY STAIR
ST PAUL CHONG HASANG KOREAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
15TH ST E
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60'
120'
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Platform
Plaza
Vertical Circulation
Bus Load/Unload
Bus Layover
Ancillary Area
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Design Option Under Study: Surface Parking
12TH ST E
SURFACE PARKING (500 STALLS)
59TH AVE
PICK-UP/DROP-OFF
ELEVATOR
PUBLIC STAIR & ESCALATOR
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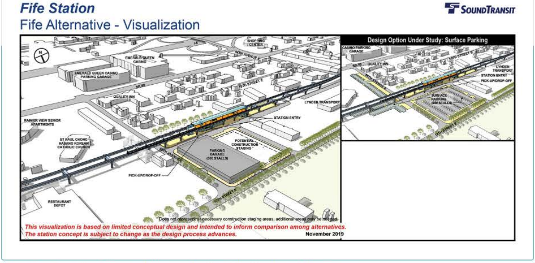
ELEVATOR
EMERGENCY STAIR
15TH ST E

Fife station is located west of 59th Avenue E, between 12th and 15th streets east, and includes 500 parking spaces.



Fife Station

Fife Alternative - Visualization

SOUNDTRANSIT
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Design Option Under Study: Surface Parking
SHOPPING CENTER
I-5
54TH AVENUE E
EMERALD QUEEN CASINO
EMERALD QUEEN CASINO PARKING GARAGE
SR-99
15TH STREET E
QUALITY INN
LYNDEN TRANSPORT
STATION ENTRY
RAINIER VIEW SENIOR APARTMENTS
ST PAUL CHONG HASANG KOREAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
POTENTIAL CONSTRUCTION STAGING*
PARKING GARAGE (500 STALLS)
58TH AVENUE E
PICK-UP/DROP-OFF
12TH STREET E
RESTAURANT DEPOT
CASINO PARKING GARAGE
SURFACE PARKING (500 STALLS)

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Fife station includes a plaza and platform level and is situated to support the City of Fife's future City Center plans.

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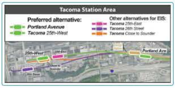
The Tacoma segment of TDLE includes two stations: Portland Avenue and Tacoma Dome


Tacoma Station Area
Preferred alternative:
Portland Avenue
Tacoma 25th-West
Other alternatives for EIS:
Tacoma 25th-East
Tacoma 26th Street
Tacoma Close to Sounder
25th-West
25th-East
Close to Sounder
26th Street
Portland Ave

We're studying these Portland Avenue and Tacoma Dome alternatives in the Draft EIS. To view the entire project area, click on the image.

Two stations will serve Tacoma riders. From Port of Tacoma Road, the Board's preferred alternative crosses the Puyallup River near I-5 and curves north to the **Portland Avenue** station, along East 26th Street. (In previous outreach, this station was referred to as ET3).

Between the Portland Avenue station and the Tacoma Dome, there are **four route alternatives**, mainly along East 25th Street and E 26th Street (previously known as TD 2, TD 3 and TD 4 East In-Street, respectively). In the Tacoma Dome area, we're studying four station locations, including a new station option called "**Close to Sounder**."

Click + check out in-progress station designs at Portland Avenue and the Tacoma Dome below:

What could Link look like at Portland Avenue?

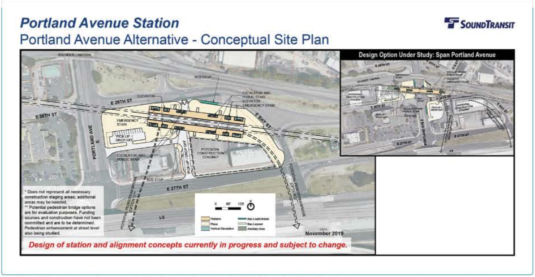
The preferred alternative for the Portland Avenue station is located along East 26th Street, between East Bay Street and Portland Avenue East. (In previous outreach, this station option was called ET3 in the East Tacoma Station Area.) It will include bus connections, passenger pick-up and drop-off areas, and pedestrian and bicycle connections.

The environmental review process will analyze one route east of Portland Avenue Station (connecting to Fife) and four possible routes west of the station (connecting to Tacoma Dome Station).

Key design updates and ongoing considerations include:

- **Station concept and design options:** The primary location for the Portland Avenue station is east of Portland Avenue. We're also considering a design option with the station shifted west, so that the station could span Portland Avenue and provide riders direct access from both sides of the street.
- **Accessing the station near I-5:** Pedestrian connections are a key focus for this station. Our designs and environmental review will consider how to improve connectivity between the station and Tacoma's Eastside neighborhood, south of I-5, including study of potential pedestrian enhancements at street level and potential pedestrian bridge over I-5. Potential pedestrian bridge options are for evaluation purposes. Funding sources and construction have not been committed and are to be determined.

View the Portland Avenue station – site plan and visualization



Portland Avenue Station

Portland Avenue Alternative - Conceptual Site Plan

Design Option Under Study: Span Portland Avenue

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SOUNDTRANSIT
SOUNDER / AMTRAK
BUS STOP
ELEVATOR
ESCALATOR AND PUBLIC STAIR
ELEVATOR
EMERGENCY STAIR
E 26TH ST
E 26TH ST
EMERGENCY STAIR
PICK-UP / DROP-OFF
PORTLAND AVE E
E BAY ST
ESCALATOR AND PUBLIC STAIR
PICK-UP / DROP-OFF
POTENTIAL CONSTRUCTION STAGING*
BUS STOP
E 27TH ST
POTENTIAL PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE (OPTION 1)**
POTENTIAL PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE (OPTION 2)**
I-5
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60'
120'
N
Platform
Plaza
Vertical Circulation
Bus Load/Unload
Bus Layover
Ancillary Area
E 26TH ST
E 25TH ST
SOUNDER / AMTRAK
EMERGENCY STAIR
ESCALATOR AND PUBLIC STAIR
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EMERGENCY STAIR
POTENTIAL CONSTRUCTION STAGING
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PICK-UP / DROP-OFF
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ELEVATOR
PICK-UP / DROP-OFF
POTENTIAL CONSTRUCTION STAGING
E BAY ST
PORTLAND AVE E
E 27TH ST
E 27TH ST
I-5

Portland Avenue station would be located on East 26th Street at Portland Avenue. A design option for a station spanning Portland Avenue is also being studied.

Portland Avenue Station

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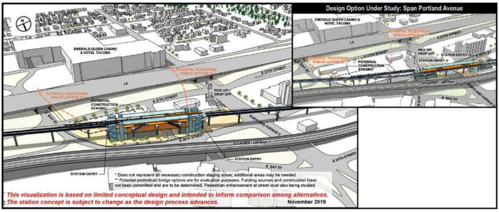
Portland Avenue Alternative - Visualization


Design Option Under Study: Span Portland Avenue
EMERALD QUEEN CASINO & HOTEL TACOMA
I-5
POTENTIAL PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE (OPTION 1)**
POTENTIAL PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE (OPTION 2)**
POTENTIAL CONSTRUCTION STAGING*
E 27TH STREET
PICK UP/ DROP OFF
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The station concept east of Portland Avenue consolidates all station activity in one area, while the design option spanning Portland Avenue has passenger entries on both sides of the street.

What could Link look like at the Tacoma Dome?

The Sound Transit Board identified **TD 25th West** as their preferred station alternative. This would be an elevated station above East 25th Street, between East D Street and East G Street.

In the environmental review process, we'll also study the **TD 25th East alternative**, located above East 25th Street between East G Street and McKinley Avenue East. We're also analyzing the **TD 26th alternative**, located above East 26th Street at East D Street. (In previous outreach, these station options were identified as TD 2, TD 3, and TD 4 East In-Street, respectively.)

The Sound Transit Board also directed agency staff to examine "options for the alignment and station close to the Sounder corridor" in the Tacoma Dome station area. This is now our fourth alternative being analyzed, called **TD Close to Sounder**. It would be located on the Freighthouse Square block, between the Sounder tracks and East 25th Street.

The Tacoma Dome station is one of the largest transit hubs in the Sound Transit district. Creating opportunities for easy transfer between Sounder, Tacoma Link, buses, Amtrak and other modes is important to our design process there.

All station designs will include a passenger pick-up and drop-off area and pedestrian and biking access improvements.

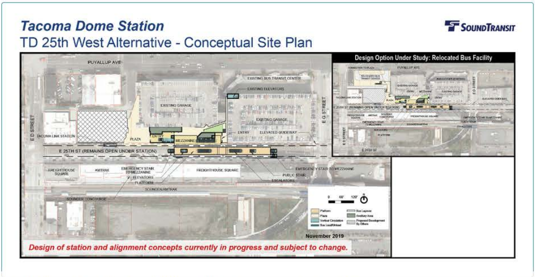
Key design updates include:

- **The TD Close to Sounder alternative:** This new alternative responds to public feedback and Sound Transit Board direction. It would situate an elevated station over much of the existing Freighthouse Square (FHS) building. The concept is still under development with many details yet to be worked out.
  The current "Close to Sounder" station concept would demolish a portion of Freighthouse Square east of the Sounder concourse. In response to input expressed by the community and City Council, the design concept may support a building frontage on the street if possible based on design constraints, similar to the new Tacoma Amtrak Station. In addition, Sound Transit is exploring whether non-transit uses (such as dining and retail) could be allowed under the new station and guideway to integrate with the existing neighborhood. West of the new station, the design aims to retain the Sounder concourse, Amtrak station and western end of Freighthouse Square.

- **Bus transit facility integration for TD 25th West:** The TD 25th West alternative includes a design option that explores relocating the current bus transit facility on Puyallup Avenue to the west side of the Pierce Transit parking garages.
- **Route and station location between Portland Avenue and TD 26th:** The TD 26th alternative is located along East 26th Street with the station platform spanning East D Street. This location is farther west compared to the previous design. The possible route between Portland Avenue and TD 26th station has shifted to be closer to the Sounder tracks.
- **End of route:** Design refinement is underway for the "tail tracks" included with all Tacoma Dome station alternatives. Tail tracks are

located at the end of a rail line for train storage and maintaining operations and reliability, especially during Tacoma Dome event-rider surges.

Tacoma 25th-West alternative – site plan and visualization


Tacoma Dome Station
TD 25th West Alternative - Conceptual Site Plan
SOUNDTRANSIT
Design Option Under Study: Relocated Bus Facility
PUYALLUP AVE
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ELEVATED GUIDEWAY
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AMTRAK
EMERGENCY STAIR TO MEZZANINE
ELEVATORS
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SOUNDER CONCOURSE
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Platform
Plaza
Vertical Circulation
Bus Load/Unload
Bus Layover
Ancillary Area
Proposed Development By Others
E 25TH ST

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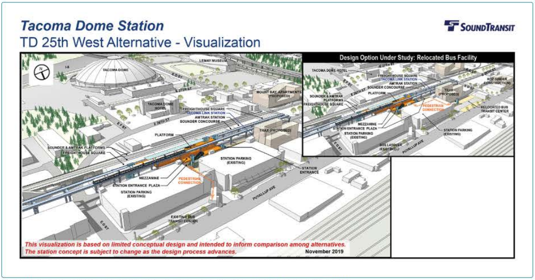
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MOUNT BAY APARTMENTS (PROPOSED)
TACOMA DOME HOTEL
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EXISTING BUS TRANSIT CENTER
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RELOCATED BUS TRANSIT CENTER
BUS LAYOVER (EXISTING)

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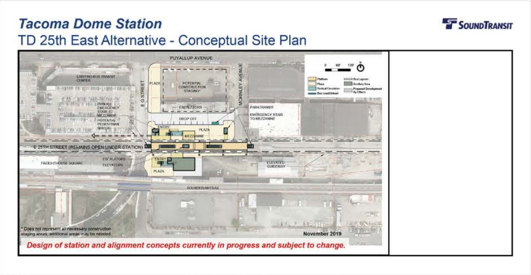
Tacoma 25th-East alternative – site plan and visualization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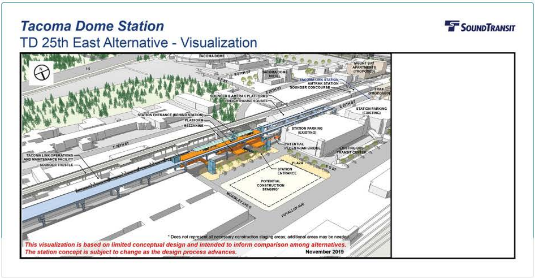

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TD 25th East Alternative - Visualization

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MOUNT BAY APARTMENTS (PROPOSED)
TACOMA LINK STATION
AMTRAK STATION
SOUNDER CONCOURSE
TRAX (PROPOSED)
E 26TH ST
SOUNDER & AMTRAK PLATFORMS
FREIGHTHOUSE SQUARE
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STATION ENTRANCE
POTENTIAL CONSTRUCTION STAGING*
MCKINLEY AVE E
PUYALLUP AVE

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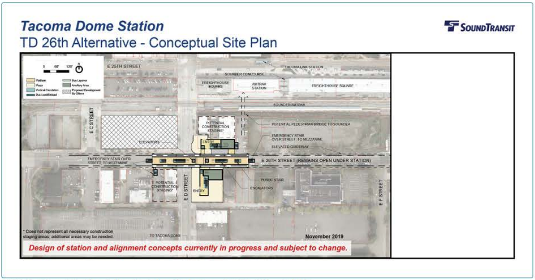
Tacoma 26th Street alternative – site plan and visualization



Tacoma Dome Station

TD 26th Alternative - Conceptual Site Plan

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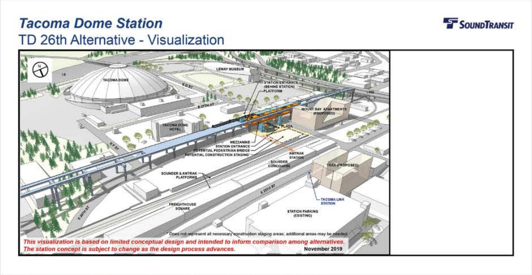
TD 26th Street station is located elevated above E 26th Street at the intersection with East D Street.



Tacoma Dome Station

TD 26th Alternative - Visualization

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I-705
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MOUNT BAY APARTMENTS (PROPOSED)
TACOMA DOME HOTEL
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STATION ENTRANCE
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TACOMA LINK STATION
FREIGHTHOUSE SQUARE
E 26TH ST
STATION PARKING (EXISTING)

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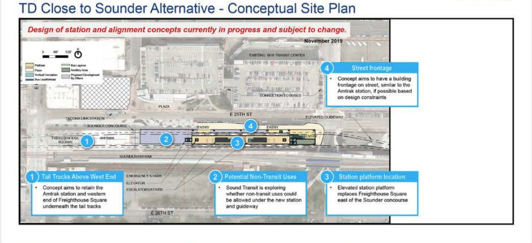
Tacoma Close to Sounder alternative – site plan and visualization

Tacoma Dome Station



TD Close to Sounder Alternative - Conceptual Site Plan

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ESCALATORS/STAIRS
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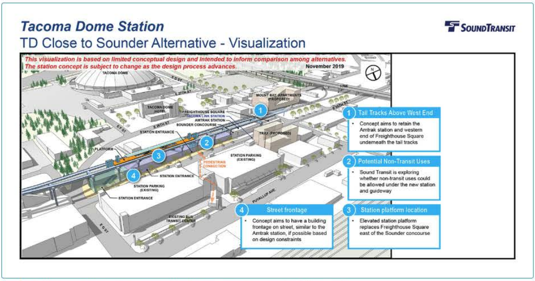
1 Tail Tracks Above West End
- Concept aims to retain the Amtrak station and western end of Freighthouse Square underneath the tail tracks

2 Potential Non-Transit Uses
- Sound Transit is exploring whether non-transit uses could be allowed under the new station and guideway

3 Station platform location
- Elevated station platform replaces Freighthouse Square east of the Sounder concourse

4 Street frontage
- Concept aims to have a building frontage on street, similar to the Amtrak station, if possible based on design constraints

The TD Close to Sounder station concept replaces Freighthouse Square east of the Sounder concourse. Sound Transit is exploring whether non-transit uses could be allowed under the new station and guideway.



Tacoma Dome Station

TD Close to Sounder Alternative - Visualization

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The TD Close to Sounder in-progress design concept has a ground floor and platform level; architectural details have not yet been determined. The aim for this concept is to retain the existing Sounder concourse, Amtrak station, and the west end of Freighthouse Square.

Come talk to us!

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Talk to the project team at our drop-in sessions:

Federal Way Library

Nov. 16, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
34200 1st Way S
Federal Way, WA 98003

Add to Calendar

UW Tacoma Campus

December 3, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
1900 Commerce St
Tacoma, WA 98402

Add to Calendar

Eastside Community Center

November 16, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
1721 E 56th St
Tacoma, WA 98404

Add to Calendar

Fife Pierce County Library

December 3, 4 – 6 p.m.
6622 20th St E
Fife, WA 98424

Add to Calendar

Starbucks

Nov. 20, 8 – 10 a.m.
900 E Meridian Ave. E, Suite 12
Milton, WA 98354

Add to Calendar

Tacoma Sounder Station

December 4, 6 – 8 a.m.
424 E 25th St
Tacoma, WA 98421

Add to Calendar

Evergreen State College Tacoma Campus

November 20, 5 – 7 p.m.
1210 6th Ave

Federal Way Community Center

Dec. 4, 5 – 7 p.m.
876 S 333rd St
Federal Way, WA 98003

Tacoma, WA 98405

Add to Calendar

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Poodle Dog Restaurant

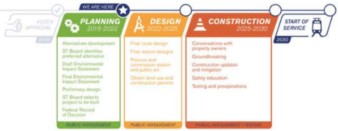
November 21, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
1522 54th Ave E
Fife, WA 98424

Add to Calendar

Next steps and resources

Our timeline

The preferred alternative for routes and stations, along with other alternatives advanced by the Sound Transit Board, will be studied in a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), expected to be issued in 2021. After collecting and considering public input on the Draft EIS, the Sound Transit Board will confirm or modify the preferred alternative for evaluation in a Final EIS. The Final EIS will also respond to comments on the Draft EIS and is scheduled to be published in 2022. After the Final EIS is issued the Board will select the project to be built.


VOTER APPROVAL
2016
WE ARE HERE
PLANNING
2018-2022
Alternatives development
ST Board identifies preferred alternative
Draft Environmental Impact Statement
Final Environmental Impact Statement
Preliminary design
ST Board selects project to be built
Federal Record of Decision
PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT
DESIGN
2022-2025
Final route design
Final station designs
Procure and commission station and public art
Obtain land use and construction permits
PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT
CONSTRUCTION
2025-2030
Conversations with property owners
Groundbreaking
Construction updates and mitigation
Safety education
Testing and preoperations
PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT + TESTING
START OF SERVICE
2030

Equity and inclusion

Sound Transit is committed to inclusively engaging those who live and work along the project corridor, including historically-underrepresented communities. Throughout planning and environmental review, we are working closely with these communities to identify and understand potential benefits and impacts and to provide opportunities for meaningful engagement.

✉ Sign up for the project mailing list

Stay updated with project news and opportunities to get involved.

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What can I expect as a project neighbor?

If you are a resident, business or property owner near a TDLE route or station alternative, we encourage you to sign up for project email updates. The EIS will evaluate property impacts of potential sites in detail following further design work. An official decision by the Sound Transit Board about which route and stations to build for TDLE will occur following the issue of the Final EIS in 2022.

Staying engaged

Thoughts or questions?

These alternatives will be studied in the Environmental Impact Statement. Do you have any thoughts or questions about these alternatives at this time? Do you understand or have suggestions for our public engagement moving forward? Select a station/or segment area and offer your comment. *

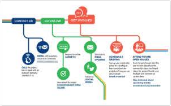
○ South Federal Way
○ Fife
○ Tacoma - Portland Avenue station
○ Tacoma - Tacoma Dome station
○ Entire project area

Comments *

Do you have suggestions for our public engagement moving forward?

Submit

Ways to stay engaged



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GET INVOLVED
SURVEYS
EMAIL UPDATES
SOCIAL MEDIA
SCHEDULE A BRIEFING
ATTEND FUTURE OPEN HOUSES

- Email us at tdlink@soundtransit.org
- Call us at 206-398-5453
- Request a briefing for your community

Fieldwork in your neighborhood

Sound Transit is in the early planning phase of the Tacoma Dome Link Extension project. As part of this phase, Sound Transit is coordinating with property owners and local jurisdictions throughout the corridor to collect and analyze information necessary to plan and design potential light rail alignments to be studied in the environmental review process. If you'd like to learn more about the different types of fieldwork activities we may conduct in your neighborhood, check out our fact sheet.

Learn about connecting projects

- Operations and Maintenance Facility South has narrowed down to three potential sites. Learn more about the project.
- Federal Way Link Extension outreach in November is also underway.
- Hilltop Tacoma Link Extension is under construction and will open in 2022.
- Sounder South Capacity Expansion is creating a strategic plan to identify improvements to serve more riders. Learn more about the project.

Other resources

- Project website documents library
- Real estate materials
- Scoping period summary report
- What is an Environmental Impact Statement?

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